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Honorable James Simpson, Chairman
New Jersey Turnpike Authority
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Dear Chairman Simpson:

As you are aware, the Authorities Unit, at the direction of Governor Christie, has undertaken an analysis of E-ZPass utilization and other forms of free toll passage at the New Jersey Turnpike Authority ("NJTA"). To that end, the Authorities Unit required NJTA to respond to a series of questions designed to ascertain the existence and extent of any free E-ZPass program that NJTA may have in use. We are in receipt of Deputy Executive Director John O'Hern's August 23, 2010 response.

The Governor requests that you, as Chairman, move a Resolution formally abolishing the practice of any and all free toll passage unrelated to official NJTA business which is not specifically permitted by N.J.S.A. 27:23-40 (emergency vehicles).

Thank you for your partnership in our effort to end free toll perks at the independent state and multi-state authorities.

Yours truly,

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